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A DEVOTED TEACHER.

A LIFE'S CAUSE GIVEN TO THE EDUCATION OF COLORED CHILDREN.

Stellar Facts of Interest—A Testimonial to be Given—Years of Faithful Service—Soon to be Rewarded—A Stormy Career.

A movement is on foot to present Miss Abby S Simmons white, a testimonial. Miss Simmons has been a devoted teacher in the colored schools for thirty-five years, and the lengthening shadows must soon compel her to lay the burden of active duties down and to retire from the field where her noble influence has done so much to elevate the rising generation. The desire is to have the testimonial assume the form of a goodly sum of money, the income from which may be used to smooth and sooth her declining years.

It is a worthy effort, deserving the united support of every teacher in our schools, as w ll as of the citizens of the community. Those, who desire to see success crown the project, are asked to join the movement, and by their personal contribution and influence, help to achieve the purpose. Miss M. P. Shadd, principal of Lincoln school, has kindly consented to receive donations, on or before April 2nd. All communications should be addressed to her at 2110 14th street, northwest, Washington, D. C.

Abby S. Simmons was born in the town of Essex, Connecticut, July 5, 1625. She received her education principally in the public schools of Chatham, Massachusetts, finally completing a course in the High School at West Brook, Conn.

Just before the close of the Civil War, there came a call for teachers for the freedmen, and Miss Simmons was among the first to respond. She went to Norfolk, Va., in December 1864. There she met all kinds of opposition, of not only was she ostracized, but abused and otherwise humiliated. Even when illness was in her midst, she was refused water from a neighboring well. After serving with patience and long suffering, she came to Washington in December 1865, and became a teacher in what was then a barrack at the corner of 14th and M streets, northwest. This place was unhealthy and unsafe, yet it was the best that had been provided. As the poor children came she ministered unto them. Through the influence of this good woman, many boxes of clothing were sent from the North by sympathizing friends. These garments were distributed among the poor, half-naked children and their parents.

Soon after, the quarters were moved to a place near where Farragut Square now is. Here a school was conducted, and relief extended to all who came. Later a school was opened in a barrack standing on the present site of the Central High School. This school was under the auspices of the "National Freedmen's Relief Association," with a Mr. Kimball as Superintendent. The pay received by Miss Simmons was $20 per month, with an additional $15 for table supplies. The fifteen dollars were placed in the hands of a manager, who "managed" to keep more in his own pockets then he spent for the table, and so the teachers were poorly fed, and many times suffered for want of food. Despite these hardships, she continued her labor of love, teaching full six hours every day from Monday to Friday inclusive. Saturdays there was a sewing school in which the older persons was taught to sew, and mend their clothing, and on Sunday part of the day was devoted to teaching the Bible truths to old and young. Besides all this, there were frequent visits to sick pupils, and many times these visits were attended with great risk, the children often living in dark alleys and out of the way places. Thrilling incidents might be told of some of the trips.

More than twenty years ago, Miss Simmons was promoted to the third grade, but at her own request, as she preferred little children was returned to the first grade. She taught several years in the old Sumner building, and was transferred to Lincoln school in 1879, where she has taught continuously to the present day.

Miss Simmons has always been among the first to respond to any call of charity made upon the teachers. Many a child has been able to remain in school because of the clothing supplied by her during her career at Lincoln. Her room has always contained an "emergency shelf" upon which, free to all, could be found witch-hazel, vaseline, bits of old linen, etc. Every Christmas for ten years, she has brought to school twelve small sacks of floor to be distributed among the needy. She has always had some one dependent upon her for support, but she has done her duty cheerfully, and not withheld her hand from any one who came to her for alms.

Now, when she is burdened with the weight of nearly four score years, it seems but fitting that some of the bread, which she has been casting upon the waters, should return to her, that she in her remaining years might be comfortably sustained.

The President's Trip.

Kepresentatives Long and Curtis, of Kansas, urged the President Monday to make several stops in Kansas on his way back from the Pacific Coast. The President said his itinerary had not yet been arranged, but that he expected to pass through Kansas on his way East from Denver.

Charles Moore, private secretary of Senator McMillan, acting for the Senator, who is in Florida, yesterday invited the President to attend the bi-centennial celebration of the founding of Detroit, July 24 and 25. The President said he would be unable to accept the invitation. When the President goes to Massachusetts this summer he will be for several days the guest of Senator McMillan, at the latter's summer home at Manchester, Mass.

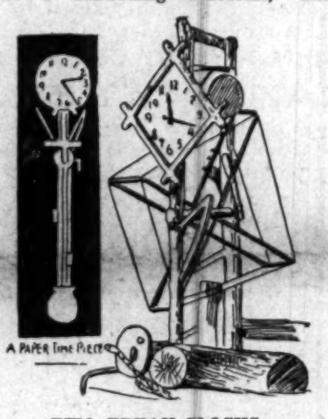
Secretary Root was asked yesterday if it was his intention to leave the Presidential party at San Francisco and make a trip to the Philiphines, and in reply said that he had not yet determined upon doing so, and even now was in doubt whether he would make the Pacific Coast trip with the President. He had expressed a wish several times to visit the Philippines, but doubted whether he could be absent the length of time it would take to make the trip.

Gen. Grosvenor, of Ohio, has practically completed the arrangements for the trip of the Ohio Congressional delegation to San Francisco upon the occasion of the launching of the battleship Ohio. The only point still in doubt is whether the return trip from Duluth to Cleveland shall be by boat or by rail. It is understood that one and possibly two special trains will convey Gov. Nash and the other Ohioans to the launching.

MAKES FREAK CLOCKS.

Frenchman Manufactures Reliable Timepieces of Straw, Wood and Common Paper.

In Coutances, France, lives M. Le Boullat, a curious man, who devotes his energies to the manufacture of curious clocks. He makes timepieces of straw, of wood, of paper, and sometimes of solid gold, inlaid with diamonds. For 20 years he has been working at his "freak" clocks and has made them of almost every conceivable material. One of Boullat's clocks is made out of old newspapers. He collected a lot of papers, made them into a pulp, which he mixed with a hardening material, and



TWO FREAK CLOCKS.
(One Is Made Entirely of Paper, the Other of Logs.)

carved his clock out of the resultant mass. When he got through preparing the paper pulp it was as hard as steel, but very brittle. Nevertheless, by the exercise of great care, he was able to carve out the wheels, posts, teeth, pendulum, etc. The pendulum rod and other large pieces were made by casting the material in a mold.

Another is a clock of wood. He calls it a rustic clock, and it certainly is rustic in appearance. It looks like a collection of logs and sticks held together by wires. On closer inspection one sees that it is a veritable clock constructed on scientific principles. All the parts of this wooden clock are complete, though they are simple, almost primitive in design. The base of the clock is made of two logs of firewood, fastened crosswise. Two upright sticks solidly connected at top and bottom serve as a support for the spindles of the wheels. The motor weight is suspended from the drum of a four-armed wheel, which occupies the central part of the timepiece. The mechanism consists of a motor weight, the four-armed wheel and encasement rack, a pendulum and two pulleys, one of which has a crank and handle for winding. A dial and hands complete the clock, all of which is made of wood except the wheel range of the rack, which is of metal. This clock keeps excellent time, never varying more than two minutes a week, a remarkable thing when one considers the construction.

Several years ago M. Boullat made a clock of straw which attracted much attention. Frequently the clockmaker receives commissions from rich Frenchmen for the construction of clocks of silver or gold, decorated with precious stones. He has made clocks entirely of gold, with diamond-tipped hands and rubies, garnets, pearls, opals, emeralds and other precious stones to represent the figures on the dial. Some of the clocks are small, but beautiful.

TWO GOOD MEN APPOINTED.

The New Patent and Civil Service Commissoners

President McKinley announced Monday morning that he had decided upon th appointments of Fred J. Allen of Auburn, N. Y., as commissioner of patents and William A. Rodenberg of East St. Louis, Ill., as civil service commissioner, to succeed the late Mark S. Brewer.

Representative Payne of New York called with Mr. Allen, who arrived in the city this morning and left this afternoon. Secretary Hitchcock also conferred with the President about this appointment. Mr. Hitchcock is understood to have been exceedingly friendly to Walter Chamberlin, assistant commissioner of patents. The final selection lay between Mr. Allen and Mr. Chamberlin. Mr. Allen is one of the most prominent patent lawyers in New York, and is highly spoken of in all circles.

If Mr. Chamberlin desires, he will remain as assistant commissioner. His record in the office has been throughly satisfactory.

EX-REPRESENTATIVE RODENBERG.

Ex-Representative Rodenberg, whose appointment as civil service commissioner was ordered by the President was one of the President's visitors Monday morning. The place was personally offered to him by the President, and he accepted. Mr. Rodenberg denied a story that he is to be made chairman of the commission in place of Mr. Procter. He said to a Star representative today that he had always favored a proper enforcement of civil service laws. Mr. Rodenberg left today for his home in East St. Louis. He will return in about ten days and assume his new duties.

Commissioner Harlowe was appointed from St Louis, just across the river from Rodenberg's home.

In the contest for the St. Louis exposition commissions Mr. Rodenberg developed much strength. His friends were numerous and pressed his claims with energy. When the President found that he would not be able to place Mr. Rodenburg on the St. Louis commission he selected him for civil service commissioner.

An interesting story is told that the President wanted Gov. Allen of Porto Rico as civil service commissioner, but was unwilling to change him.

Mr. Rodenberg is about thirty-six years old. He graduated in 1884 from the Central Wesleyan College, Warrenton, Mo., after being educated in the public schools. He taught school for seven years, and then studied law in St. Louis, where he was admitted to the bar. He was a delegate to the St. Louis convention in 1896, and came to Congress two years ago. His district is democratic, and he was defeated by a democrat in the last election.

OPPOSED TO COLORED SCOOLS.

A Flimsy Excuse Offered by White Residents.

The North Capitol and Eckington Citizens Association met at North Capitol and R. streets northwest last Monday evening. Mr. William G. Henderson, president, occupied the chair, with Mr. A. O. Tingley as secretary. Mr. W. O. Eldrdige was admitted to membership.

Mr. W. O. Hughes, chairman of the committee on railways, stated that several new cars had been added to the North Capitol street branch of the Washington Traction Company, and that the service is greatly improved.

Chairman Loveless, of the committee on fire and police, reported that at the beginning of the next fiscal year, July 1, a number of fire alarm boxes will be installed, several of them in Eckington.

Mr. A. R. Serven, of the committee on schools, reported 444 pupils attending the Slater School, on P street, of whom, he said, only about 10 per cent, belong in the vicinity, four grades being from Cook School, on N street. Other pupils had been drafted from other schools. He stated that the board of education had recommended that a colored school was needed south of N street, betwten North Capitol and Seventh; that this had been brought to the attention of the Commissioners, who had worked to place the school on N street, but that by some influence the site had been brought north tow rd Eckington.

OBJECT TO MORE COLORED SCHOOLS

The discussion which followed elicted that fact that there is much opposition to having any more negro schools in the vicinity of Eckington, where, it was declared no more are needed. It was shown that the opposition of the Homeopathic Hospital authorities and others in the vicinity had cause the change of site as originally proposed.

One of the speakers urged that the school should be located further south, where it would not only serve the interests of the people of Eckington, but the convenience of the pupils. It was stated that the Slater Building and the new manual training school are now in the one block, and to place the new school there would depreciate property values, while nothing for the good of the District or of the citizens would be subserved. Mr. A. D. Smith pointed out that according to the new District code the Commissioners would be empowered after the 1st of next July to condemn property for the use of the public, and on motion of Mr. Charles E. Kerne, the Commissioners were requested to defer actions until after the beginning of the next fiscal year.

LINCOLN STREET SCHOOL.

In regard to the new school building to be located on Lincoln avenue, near R street, Mr. Serven stated that it is to be a twelve-room structure. He had held a conference with Mr. Brady, inspector of buildings, who had the plans prepared and in condition for advertisement for bids. Work, it is expected, will be begun on the building within five or six weeks. One of the members of the association stated that this would be impossible, as the parties now occupying the ground as a residence have not yet been given notice to move and will occupy it for over a month. A motion was finally passed directing the secretary to write the Commissioners urging that work be pushed on the building in order that it may be ready by September 15 next.

Chairman Linton, of the committee on parks and parking, was absent, but Mr. Severn stated that arrangements have been made for a conference with the Senate committee during the next two weeks. At this point there was much discussion over the placing of a tree at North Capitol and S streets, which the citizens have been endeavoring to secure for the past year.

JUDGE JAMES L. PUGH.
A Popular Favorite Among the Members of the Bar, Who Will be Strongly Urged for a Justice of the Peace.

DISTRICT SUFFRAGE.

The Knights of Labor will Make a Fight. Mr Oyster's Speech.

Suffrage in the District of Columbia and the proposed issue of bonds for sewer and street extension were the subjects of an address delivered by Mr. E. W. Oyster at the meeting of the Central Labor Union held last Monday evening at Typographical Temple. Mr. Oyster severely criticised the present form of District government advised organized laber as represented in the Central Labor Union, to make earnest and persistent effort, for the restoration of the elective franchise. He denounced the present government as plutocratic, a radical departure from the principle of representative government and distructive of the sovereign right of the citizen. He suggested that a statement of the political conditions in the District be submitted to the labor organization of the country, and that they be urged to petition Congress to establish popular government in the District.

Mr. Oyster also referred to the proposition to issue improvement bonds to defray the cost of sewer and street extension as a scheme to tax the many for the exclusive benefit of a few financiers and suburban property owners.

At the conclusion of Mr. Oysters's remarks it was decided to consider the subjects referred to under special order at the next meeting of the Central Labor Union.

LIFE IS WHAT WE MAKE IT

Happiness is Not Nurtured in an Atmosphere Surcharged with Artificiality.

"Our lives are what we make of them ourselves," writes Edward Bok, in the April Ladies' Home Journal. "If we are weak and accept the artificial our lives will be so. And just in proportion as we make our lives artificial we make them profitless and unhappy. A happy life cannot be lived in an atmosphere surcharged with artificiality. That is impossible. No hope is defeated unless we defeat that hope ourselves. No life is thwarted unless we thwart its highest fulfillment and development by our own action. It is with us, and with us only, whether we allow the 'swift currents of prevailing custom' to make our lives complex. They do, unquestionably, and they are dwarfing the inner lives of thousands of women, and killing thousands of others. But it is cowardly and unjust to lay the blame and the responsibility upon those 'custom' It is optional with us to accept or reject them. There are certain social laws which seem to make these 'customs' right, but every phase of a higher law, the Divine law, proves them wrong. There must be certain laws and customs for the protection of the social body. These are likewise for our own individual protection and are right, and ordinary common sense teaches us what they are."

A MODEL FORCE

Commissioner Ross and Major Sylvester Determined to Have a Disciplined Police Force.

The police department under Major Richard Sylvester and Commissioner John W. Ross is reaching a degree of perfection. No officer who fails to do his duty can hope for liencey, neither will the supervisors of this branch of the District government tolerate any man who attempts to exercise more authority than has been delegated to him. It is a mooted question whether the constant fear of the police being brought upon charges of a frivolous character doesn't do more to injure the department than anything else. THE BEE is of the opinion that minor charges should be investigated and settled by the lieutenants of the precints in which the occur. Grave charges may be settled as they are now. Officers complain of people prefering charges for the most frivolous offense. It was only a few days ago a man was asked a question for his own good to which he took offense and charged an officer who had nothing to do with him as having related the story. The agrieved (?) citizen went directly to the chief of police. The chief has too much sense to listen to cranks, but yet he must give his time and patience to such people to relate their tale of woe.

Notwithstand the police department under Mr. Ross and Major Sylvester is a modle department.

HORSE STOOD SENTRY.

Great Racer Stood Guard Over an Intoxicated Colored Boy Who Had Him in Charge.

This reads like a fairy tale, but it is true. At the sale of the late Marcus Daly's thoroughbreds William Lakeland, one of our well-known metropolitan trainers, bought Ogden for $4,200. This is a valuable horse by Kilwarlin—Oriole, foaled in 1894, winner of the futurity of his year and many other important events, and whose family figures show 12 English Derby winners. All this just to show the kind of gentleman he is. Lakeland wished him taken down to his Sheepshead stables that night, and after a talk with his foreman, Frasch, Ogden was dispatched by road in the care of a colored stable boy, to whom Lakeland

WATCHING HIS KEEPER.

gave five dollars as an inducement to take extra good care of the horse, says the Spirit of the Times.

Blanketed and hooded from hoofs to ear tips, Ogden serenely wended his way through the falling snow, and doubtless wondered if he were going back to Montana and the familiar Bitter Root farm. Later Mr. Lakeland went home and sat up hour after hour waiting for the coming of his new purchase, but none came. His feelings may be better imagined than described. He loves his horses, as evidenced by his wonderful success with Tea Tray and other erratic animals which he brought round to a proper state of mind. He sat up all night, sending messengers in all directions until dawn, and by that time he was ready to take up the quest himself.

It was not the money that was worrying him; it was the exposure of a good horse to the inclement weather and what the probable results might prove. Just then came a call from the telephone which sent him flying down the boulevard at a rapid gait. The police precinct wanted to know if he had lost a horse and what he was like, reporting that Ogden had been found by an officer standing in the road, with a colored boy drunk at his feet. In other words, the horse was taking care of the drunken lout, as many a horse has done before, and will again, bless them for it! Mr. Lakeland found Ogden safe and sound at the precinct, apparently very much at home, and soon had him in his own stall. As for the stable boy, Mr. Lakeland declined to bother with him. He did not want a justifiable case of assault and battery on his hands. He had Ogden and that was all he cared about.

A TALENTED COLORED WOMAN.

MRS. LILLIAN THOMAS PAINTING THE PRESIDENT'S PORTRAIT.

She Had Him Sit Half an Hour for Her on Friday and He Praised Her Work—She is from St. Louis, Where She Taught School—A Native of Columbus.

Special Dispatch to the Boston Herald

ST. LOUIS, Mo., March 24, 1901. Mrs. Lillian Thomas, who has painted a portrait of President McKinley, is a negro woman and formerly resided in St. Louis, taking an active part in educating the negroes here. The painting of the President's portrait by this ambitious and talented negro woman is the achievement of her most ardent desire. As a result, an oil creation of the President at his desk will be given to the world. This portrait, which Mrs. Thomas is now finishing, is a three-quarter likeness, 32 by 40 inches. It was through the influence of Representative Bartholdt, of this city, that she induced the President to sit for her.

Mrs. Thomas was born in Columbus, O. 28 years ago. Her name was Miss Lillian Lee. She studied art in the best schools of that city, and in 1891 came to St. Louis to teach at the summer high school. Four years later she became the wife of Fuller Thomas, a postoffice employe. She worked at church window decorating for a local firm. Two years ago Mr. and Mrs. Thomas went to New York, that Mrs. Thomas might better develop her talents. Soon after her arrival she painted portraits of Miss Olga Nethersole and Miss Anna Held. A few months ago the Thomases removed to Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Thomas secured a letter from Representative Bartholdt of St. Louis to Comptroller Charles G. Dawes of the currency who in turn gave her a letter to Mr. Cortelyou, secretary to the President. Friday the President posed for her for half an hour in his private office.

"He posed perfectly," said the artist, "and talked entertainingly to me as I worked. When the time was up he said he was pleased with the portrait, and shook hands with me most cordially, wishing me the greatest good fortune in my profession. I found that he has changed greatly in the last five or six years. His face shows much more character, if I may put it that way."

ARTISTC PUBLICATIONS ISSUED BY THE BALTIMORE AND OHIO RAILROAD

Guide to Wahington.

The Passenger Department of the Baltimore & Ohio R. R. have issued a *Guide to Washington*, which in many respects excels all other guides published, both in artistic appearance and careful discription of points of interest in the Capital City. The front cover of the book is embellished with a handsome steel engraved portrait of the "Stuart" Washington. The reverse cover bears an American flag in the grasp of an eagle. The inside pages contain recent photographs of all of the Government Buildings with correct information concerning them, together with other interesting features of the city, and the very latest map. Copies will be sold at the principal Tickets Offices of the Baltimore & Ohio R. R. for ten (10) cents cash, or will be mailed to any address on receipt of fifteen (15) cents in stamps on application to the undersigned.

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D. B. MARTIN,
Manager Passenger Traffic,
Baltimore & Ohio R. R,
Baltimore, Md.

A FALSE REPORT.

Still at School Persuing Her Studies.

The false and malicious report that was circulated a few days ago that a young lady, highly connected had eloped with a white parlor car conductor, was conceived in the mind of evil designed persons. There is no truth whatever in this story that has been circulated. The young lady is at school doing well. Her father was paying Hampton a visit at the time the false rumor was circulated.

Emancipation Emblem.

A water-proof, fine soft bunting flag, 12 x 18 on a 5 foot red white and blue staff, which will be offered at each home next week, is warmly recommended for purchase. Its cost, very reasonable indeed, will be but fifteen cents.

Suitable for all occasions we rejoice to celebrate. It is specially suitable for "Emancipation Day;" in either the Parade or our Homes.

Every home should fly our country's flag.

Fine pictures of the President and Vice-President will be given with it.

We advise our friends to take advantage of this chance.

LOVES WILD BEASTS.

Philadelphian Who Is Fond of Bearding the Lion in His Den.

Some Day His Peculiar Hobby May Cost Him His Life—An Encounter with Wolves That Almost Ended in a Tragedy.

There is something in the angry glint of a wild animal's eye that fascinates John Lover, one of the keepers at the zoological garden, and his fondness for literally "bearding the lion in his den" some day may cost him his life. No one knows this better than Lover himself, and yet he feels that his "lines are cast in pleasant places" and would be envious of any man foolhardy enough to apply for his position.

At least half of the time this man with the daredevil recklessness of spirit goes about with bandaged limbs, the results of encounters with his "friends," the animals. When his hands, arms or legs are torn by the claws of the maddened beasts he makes a dash for a bottle of cauterizing fluid, pours it over the ragged wound, and then goes back to subdue by kindness or punishment, as the case may require, the animal that attacked him.

"I wouldn't leave my position for any other one that could be offered to me," he said to a Philadelphia Bulletin Reporter. "I love wild animals and know it is their nature to attack men. No; I don't care much for tame animals. The fierceness and splendid courage is beaten out of them, and I regard them as I would a cowardly man."

The other day, however, he met with his most thrilling trial, and his own words best tell the tale of the encounter with the wolves.

"About 11 o'clock in the morning," he said, "I went into the cage where the gray wolves were fighting. I thought I could separate them without force, but as a precaution I armed myself with a club and broom. Nellie, the female wolf, was more troublesome than her mate, Dan, and I attempted to pacify her first. My

ATTACKED ON BOTH SIDES.

presence seemed to quiet her, and I thought while I was in the cage I would clean it. When I had finished I started to leave by way of a rear door, but had no sooner turned my back when Nellie sprang upon me.

"She weighs about 150 pounds, and when she struck me I fell to the floor with a thud. Dan, her mate, howled furiously, but did not make an attempt to attack me until Nellie had my left army tightly clenched between her sharp teeth. The pain from the bite was fearful, and to protect myself I struck her with my club, which seemed at first to enrage her.

"She sprang at me again, seizing my injured arm between her jaws, and the pain increased so intensely that I was almost bewildered for the time. Then she fell on the floor unconscious. I thought I was through with the struggle, and started again to leave the cage.

"Dan, the male wolf, in a spirit of revenge, then attacked me, and strange as it may seem, after biting me on the thumb of the right hand, made a frightful growling noise, and to my amazement seized my already badly lacerated arm, and crunched down upon it.

"I yelled for help, and with a thin broomstick was compelled to fight my way to liberty. I worked my way to the door of the cage, leading to a small inclosure in the rear, and thought I was safely out, but I was disappointed again, as the female who is a cute, cunning beast, beat me to the door, and slipped out just ahead of me.

"I was now without club, broom or anything to defend myself, except my right hand. My left hand and arm were useless. I was covered with blood and seemed to infuriate the beasts, who were growling and prancing about, both with their glaring eyes upon me. Fate seemed to be against me for the time, and a thousand thoughts ran through my head in an instant.

"But no time was to be lost. Nellie again started for me. I checked her leap with my foot, and quickly seized her by the throat. She struggled to get away, and bit me, but fortunately Headkeeper Manley, with six men, arrived just in time to prevent the animals from tearing me to bits. After some difficulty the wolf was forced into her cage, when she and her mate walked to and fro all day long."

Sumptuary Laws in Kansas.

The Kansas house has passed an anti-cigarette bill. It prohibits under heavy penalties the sale of cigarettes or wrappers, and the senate passed a bill prohibiting the practice of hypnotism.

BELLE OF THE UTES.

How a Denver Man Became Engaged to Her Unconsciously.

A Little Comedy of Errors Which Is Giving Considerable Trouble to Its Hero—All Came Out of an Exchange of Gifts.

John P. Altberger, Denver manager of the Western Union Telegraph company, has often sighed for a lodge in the wilderness, and, to gratify his longing, has cultivated a friendly relation with the Ute Indians around Ignacio, Col. He now wishes that he had never seen an Indian, and will try to protect his eyes from the sight of one for years to come, for he has come under a ban so severe that his blood may some day pay for an insult to the greatest remnant of a once powerful tribe.

It was not intentional, says the Chicago Tribune, but the fact remains that the fancied offense was committed, and no authority that the redskin recognizes can alter the impression that a white man has been making sport of their finer feelings.

Buckskin Charley contends that Altberger is legally betrothed to his pretty young daughter, Pa-Ba-a-Gat, known in the fluent queen's language as Fannie Buck, and he will not allow any attempt to controvert that assertion.

Altberger was an unwilling and innocent victim, for he knew nothing of the ways of the wily Indian when he ventured down to the agency three months ago to recreate and, incidentally, get a few days of the finest trout fishing known in the west. To gain the good graces of the Indians he had provided himself with several cheap trinkets, which he employed to the best advantage. He fell in with Buckskin Charley at the first outset, and forthwith gave him one of those tin watches that sell for a dollar in the city and have their insides keyed up to a pitch that makes a noise resembling the grinding of a capstan on an ocean liner. The old man was won, and took the telegraph man to his home, promising him the best of lodgings during

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his stay on the agency, and wound up with an introduction to his loveliest of daughters, the 16-year-old Pa-Ba-a-Gat, queen of the tribe.

As Altberger patted the swarthy hand of the daughter of the house he hastily thought of his store of trinkets. He had reserved a stock of beads which he intended using to trade for blankets. Quick as thought the Western Union man dove down into his grip and dragged forth the finest necklace of cheap glass beads that had ever been seen on the reservation.

His vacation over, Mr. Altberger returned to Denver and was soon buried in the noise of his office. The incident of his vacation had even passed beyond memory, when the express brought a magnificent buckskin vest trimmed in the most barbaric gorgeousness with porcupine quills, elks' teeth and rattlesnake tails. This made Altberger proud, and he hung the garment in his private office for the delectation of his city friends. One day Charles Christy, the famous scout, who has been in Colorado long enough to see Pike's Peak come out of the ground, dropped in on his friend John to discuss the next summer vacation and smoke a pipe. As his eyes lighted on the buckskin vest he grew curious and demanded the story. Altberger told of his acquisition with all the pride of a father over his first born. As he warmed up Christy was thrown into a violent fit of laughter. When he recovered he informed his host that the present of a gift to the father, followed by a necklace to the daughter, constituted a betrothal that only lacked the reciprocity of the charmer to make a wedding obligatory.

Now, Altberger has a wife of his own, and he didn't propose to establish a Colorado branch of the Mormon Zion. He was solemnly informed by his friend that there was no severance of the tie after the girl sent her present, and every warrior of the tribe would shed his last drop of blood to enforce the aboriginal contract.

The father kindly notified the telegraph man later that he would be up in the fall to attend the regular Denver festival and would have the pretty Fannie in his train with the most complete trousseau that was ever designed from the pelts of bucks and does.

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I shall in this column endeavor to answer all correspondence that may be sent and urgently request young ladies to read this column, and any questions that they wished answered please send them in before Saturday of each week

By Miss May Clematis.

Annie. You should certainly tell the truth always.

Etta. You will no doubt lose one of the best friends you have. Your actions are surprising.

Lulu. Temporary friends come from temporary admiration. Don't you believe in momentary admiration.

J. Too much familiarity on the part of a stranger means no good.

B.M. Think kindly of those who speak well of you.

Rachel. Don't associate with those below you. You should always seek intelligent company.

Daisy. Some girls are carried away by new faces. This kind of admiration doesn't last very long.

N. F. We lose our senses some times, because our heads are weak.

Nellie. You should not triffle. It is dangerous. You may have cause to regret it some time.

Rachel. A changeable woman is an uncertain friend. She doesn't know her own mind.

T.M. If you don't know what you are doing seek advice.

E.T. Don't try to do what others are doing. Be yourself.

Good manners will recommend any one.

Wine or any kind of intoxicant should not be used at social card parties where there are ladies.

No girl should be guilty of wine drinking in public.

This is an age, some people think, in which they have social license.

When you make a blunder you should be made to bear it.

Social sport is a vaper in society it makes many a full pocket empty.

Take a true friend's advice sometimes, it will pay you.

You may of often bring trouble upon yourself.

Spring fashions are very pretty, unique and noby.

It is not the man who pretends admiration, but the one who acts it.

Young girls should not be too hasty in coming to a conclusion.

I. O. You should have your dress made in the latest style. The goods that you have selected will become you.

D.M. The man who is extraordinarly polite means nothing.

Don't allow yourself to be persuaded to do that which will effect you socially or otherwise.

S. T. Never allow yourself to become careless in your manners or ways. It will end in depreciation of yourself morally and socially.

Don't allow other people to talk about your associates.

It is unkind in one to speak ill of any one in his absence.

That which you will not say before your friends face must be regarded by others as untrue.

Don't believe all you hear about any one.

Slander often emeates from a foul mouth.

A young girls reputation is all she possesses.

Some girls will talk about you because others do.

Some people will dislike you because others do.

Remember there are always two sides to every question. Be sure that you hear both sides before you form or express an opinion.

It is always best to be a quit listener under all circumstances.

Be careful of what you write and to whom you write.

Friendship is only found in those who protect you under all circumstances.

You are not dependent upon those in whom you have no confidence.

Don't try to imitate others.

It is rude to the extreme to permit young men to attempt to kiss you at a public reception. The lady who does not resent it is not entitled to the respect of her associates. If he acts so bold in public what insult would he offer elsewhere.

If you cannot speak well of one, it is best to say nothing.

Refinement in a girl is the best recommendation for her.

When you come to a decision let nothing but reason change you.

Let your dress be in season. Young ladies s ould dress with care.

G.S Don't weep. It is true your mother was your best freend. Death is certain as you well know. Follow in her foot steps. Remember her advice and follow it.

Nettie This is an age that needs the utmost care and protection for our girls. A girl cannot be too careful.

Marriages are resulting in divorces. Girls must be careful of themselves. Keep your salary if you are getting one.

PLUCK WON VICTORY.

What an Illinois Boy Wrought for the People of Canada.

Completed the Canadian Pacific Railway After Its Original Promoters Had Given Up Hope—Knighted by Queen.

Sir William Van Horne, the head of the Canadian Pacific railway, has just left Chicago with the statement that after a thorough inspection of Cuba he believes the Cubans are amply able to govern themselves. Sir William is an excellent example of how an individual can govern himself and a good many other people besides. He was born in Illinois 50 years ago, and began life as a telegraph operator on the Illinois Central railroad. He is now several times a millionaire, and one of the most powerful men in Canada.

Nearly 25 years ago, says the Chicago Times-Herald, Mr. Van Horne was called to the general managership of the Canadian Pacific road. The line was then not yet completed to Vancouver. There was a great gap between Winnipeg and the Pacific ocean, and a great many Canadians were in existence who did not believe a rail could ever be laid over that gap. Various governments had tried to complete the road and failed. Various contractors had gone to ruin in attempting to carry out government demands. In 1880 it looked as if a good ten years would elapse before Canada would have a railway from Montreal to the Pacific. Then came in the Van Horne spirit. Capitalists, politicians, settlers, merchants were clamoring for the completion of the road.

Mr. Van Horne visited Montreal. He called on the government and he politely asked how much money or land or other securities were to the credit of the company at that time upon which cash could be raised. An under secretary or under something else said flippantly:

"The government has no cash for you, Mr. Van Horne, but you have control of 25,000,000 acres of land and about 800 miles of completed road on which you ought to get something."

The general manager turned on his heel and left the government house.

SIR WILLIAM VAN HORNE.
(Head of the Great Canadian Pacific Railway System.)

He was facing the problem of building 2,200 miles of road through a mountainous or desert plain country, and he not only was without money, but the road lacked the confidence of capitalists. The story goes that in the next ten days he either personally saw or communicated with by wire or letter 50 of the wealthiest capitalists of England, the United States and Canada. He pledged them to build in five years (his contract with the government for the completion of the road allowed him ten) the uncompleted portion of the road. and also repay them in the same time any advances they might make if they would finance the construction work. Practically his guarantee in the matter was no more than his own private word, but the Van Horne word was pretty well known even at that time.

As a result of his solicitations, peremptory showing of his necessities, he commanded at the end of the ten days $10,000,000 in cash, ostensibly that of the company, although loaned, and in 14 days construction work had begun. In 54 months, or 4½ years, Mr. Van Horne and his associates had built 1,900 miles of the main line and 1,300 miles of side tracks, or two miles per day winter and summer. He took his rails over the Selkirk range, through canyons and gorges, conquered every obstacle of nature, and kept his promise to his backers. Every dollar they advanced or security they gave was either repaid or well protected, and the Canadian Pacific opened to the world. The total amount which Mr. Van Horne is said to have become responsible for during the completion of the road was over $25,000,000—$10,000,000 at first and then $15,000,000 more afterward, and of this sum not one dollar was ever lost to the men who trusted him when he declared that he intended to finish the Canadian Pacific.

The main line of his road cost $100,000,000 to build in all, but it gave to Great Britain a war route which is said to be capable of handling 8,000 armed men in a day, with their baggage, from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and of putting a 100-ton gun in Vancouver within 14 days after it leaves Woolwich. That is what the Illnois boy accomplished in Canada, his adopted land, and that is the inside story of how the Canadian Pacific was finished in five years ahead of contract time.

Incidental Annexation.

Between the removal of Canadians to the United States and the investment of American capital in the Dominion a good deal of incidental annexation is going on quietly.

OFFICER WITH NERVE.

Compelled a Kentucky Dancing Party to Hold Up Hands While He Made Arrests.

A St. Louis Post-Dispatch correspondent describes a sensational incident that occurred recently at Wayking, Ky.:

"Hands up, everybody!"

The fiddlers stopped with one terrified screech, the women screamed and half a dozen lank mountaineers rushed for their guns. A quick command of "drop that," shouted by the man who stood with a pistol in each hand at the door of Sol Hall's cabin, made them change their minds quickly.

The biggest mountain ball in years had been broken up in confusion, for

"HANDS UP, EVERYBODY!"

Mountain Detective John W. Wright had come, and in that room were four men accused of murder he meant to have. Behind Detective Wright stood his brother, Sol Wright, and another officer, and the six pistols of the three men effectively covered the 40 mountaineers in the room.

"Josh Bentley, Zack Bentley, stand out!" commanded John Wright. The two men stood forward.

"If a man in the room moves, shoot him," said the leader of the officers. He put up his pistol and stepped into the room. As he did so a shot fired from the left of the cabin knocked off his hat. He caught it as it fell, drew his pistol quickly again and placed it against Zack Bentley's head.

"Another move and I blow out his brains," Wright shouted. There was not a sound after that.

The two Bentley boys were handcuffed. Then Wright paused. There were two others there, his own first cousins, whom he must arrest.

"Martin and John Wright, come here." The pair came forward sheepishly and held out their hands. Detective Wright slipped on the shackles. Then he bowed to the assembled company.

"You kin go on with yer dance," he said. "There air 11 others that I'm a-goin' to get some time, but I don't see any of them here."

Then the officers walked out with the four men, for whom a reward of $800 has been offered.

"I'll git the other 11 that are mixed in the murder of Mrs. Hall and her boy, Sherwood Reynolds," said Wright, when he put his prisoners in jail, and everybody in the mountains knows that he will do it.

CATAMOUNT POINTERS.

Pennsylvania Woman Has Trained Two Wild Beasts to Take the Place of Dogs.

Mrs. Helen Link, who is known as the huntress of the Neversink mountain, located in a wild region of Pennsylvania, is mourning the loss of one of a pair of remarkable wildcats she has owned for some years past. Mrs. Link has the reputation of being one

FINDING THE CATAMOUNTS.

of the best hunters and shooters in the state.

A few years ago while on one of these hunting excursions Mrs. Link leaned her gun against a tree, and in doing so noticed a hole in the trunk. She thrust her hand into the opening and was rewarded by having her fingers nipped. Nothing daunted, the huntress of the Neversink continued her investigation and pulled from the hollow trunk of the tree two tiny catamounts, or wildcats.

Mrs. Link carried the baby catamounts to her mountain home, a distance of ten miles. Then she determined to domesticate these kittens. At first the creatures were inclined to be vicious and resented all her friendly approaches. They gradually became docile and in time followed Mrs. Link wherever she went. She would take them on her hunting trips, and soon discovered that the cats would indicate to her the nearness of rabbits, quail and other game. In a short time Mrs. Link taught them to "point" as well as the best trained dog.

A CONFIDENCE GAME.

Played by Two Sharpers on a Memphis Bunco Man.

Rube Made a Bet That Bill Smith Would Come to Time, and Bill Did — Smoothest Crooked Work Deal on Record.

The slickest confidence man that ever perambulated down the pike was in Memphis last week and did some smooth business of the bunco variety, according to Patrolman Pat Horan's story in the Commercial-Appeal. Officer Horan refuses to give names, but he says that the victim in the case was a king-bee Memphis con. man who thinks he is more than "two or three," and who happened to be out looking for hayseeds.

The con. man dropped into a certain hotel in Memphis to lay for a "fish," and had gotten himself up to pass for a commercial traveler. He was soon spotted by the "slick one," who seemed to have a lofty scorn for the innocent "Rubes" and loved to make monkeys out of the swellhead frauds who think they know it all. Not long after the slick "one" spotted the Memphis shark, a hayseed Rube of the most harmless-looking type came into the hotel lobby and glared through his spectacles at the men sitting around. Failing to see the face he was looking for, the old Rube stood a moment in the center of the floor and then walked over to the clerk's desk. He took a long-range chance at the cuspidor and missed, and then, addressing the clerk, asked: "Has Bill Smith been here looking for me?"

The clerk looked up, and, seeing a chance for some fun, began to humor the old man.

The Memphis shark grew interested and drew near. Soon the whole hotel knew the old man's story. Bill Smith was a stranger he had met in the morning who had borrowed $50 from him to pay a freight bill, promising to meet Rube at the hotel and pay it back. Rube was certain he would be in soon, because it was now past the appointed time.

The old man's apparent innocence amused the crowd, and he was advised to go on and forget Bill Smith, as he would never see Bill any more. The old man replied good humoredly that he guessed he would wait awhile for Bill, and, winking at the crowd, he pulled out a well-filled wallet, with the remark that he had plenty left if Bill should go back on his word.

REUBEN PULLED OUT THE FIFTY.

The eyes of the Memphis shark glistened at sight of the wallet, and, approaching Rube, he began to manifest the tenderest sympathy in his case and assured him that Bill Smith was a rascally thief and that the town was full of such sharks.

Rube grew nervous under the repeated flings at his friend Bill Smith, and in his excitement pulled his money and swore he would bet every dollar of it on Smith's honesty.

"Well," said the Memphis shark, "I'll just bet you $50 that Smith don't show up with your money."

Reuben took the bet, and, with trembling fingers, pulled out the fifty, and the stakes were put in the hands of the clerk.

After this Rube grew silent and nervously paced up and down the lobby. Presently, as Rube was standing some distance from the desk, pensively rolling his quid and gazing through the skylight, a smartly-dressed man walked briskly through the door and up to the clerk's desk, eying the bystanders critically as he passed. Seizing a pen, he rapidly wrote on the register: "William J. Smith, Hushpuckana, Miss."

As he was writing Rube had once more advanced toward the desk, and, seeing the form at the counter, he strode eagerly forward, peered into the face of the newcomer, and, slapping him on the back, exclaimed: "By gosh, if it ain't Bill Smith at last!"

The rest of the story was simple. Smith recognized Rube, thanked him for the loan and immediately pulled out his purse and paid over the promised fifty he had borrowed.

The Memphis shark turned pale as Rube claimed the wager, but it had to go. Later the Memphis shark got a little note advising him that Rube thanked him for the little donation, and advised him to try the trick on some of his fellow sharks and play for even.

An Ominous Combination.

Representative Littlefield, of Maine, is a teetotaler and a prohibitionist, but a habitual card player, and progressive eucher is his favorite game. The other night he attended a progressive eucher party and won a beer stein for a prize. Three nights later he went to another party and won a corkscrew, which his friends consider ominous.

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TRUE TO HER LOVER.

English Girl Forced Man at Revolver's Point to Prove Her Sweetheart's Innocence.

Two clerks, Hatton and Morley, worked together in the store of a London merchant. Dealing with this employer was a merchant skipper at the East India docks, and he had a daughter. Fate made her beautiful, and drew both these clerks into the web of her enchantment.

The beginning of it all was four years ago. After six months Hatton spoke his love, and after a pause the girl answered yes.

Morley some time before had discovered a clerk named Went in a

WROTE A FULL CONFESSION.

petty embezzlement, but did not expose him. Morley had this man in his power, and forced him to falsify Hatton's books, for the reason that Went was a skilled imitator of penmanship. Morley allowed Went to pocket the embezzlements, which Went was quite willing to do.

Hatton got into trouble. The work had been done so skillfully that things were dark for him. He was convicted and sentenced to three years.

But the girl believed his reiterated assertion that he was innocent. Morley began to visit her in consolation, and a chance word that he let drop awakened her suspicions of him. She pumped him skillfully, and became more convinced. She had a brother in the same office, she gained the ear of the mercahnt, and they went through the books. There was evidence enough for her, but the brother and the employer said it would not hold in court. One evening she made excuse to persuade Morley to meet her alone in her father's house. He came, only to face a revolver pointed at his head, and under stress of it he wrote a full confession.

Hatton was released and the two were married. Morley hanged himself in prison, and Went was sentenced to five years at penal servitude.

TEUTONIC RAT STORY.

Chicago Daily News Tells How a German Baker Cleared His Premises of Rodents.

"The baker was telling me that you have cleared your premises of rats," said the young policeman. "Is it true?"

"Yah! Yah!" responded Herr Hopf, "und der frau asks for a sbecial thanksgiving day to observe der fact. Ven I dink uf der rads ve had I shiffer. It vas like der memory uf a bickel tream. Mr. Boliceman, ve had rads vid Boer viskers der size uf a kitten. Dey vud drill dunnels under der bricks und den roll bumbernickel under vidout breakin' der loaf. All night I vud lay in bed und hear der male rad duing gymnastics on der rafders und der female rads holding society meedins in der valls. Ve set traps, but der rads gnawed off der doors und played hide-und-zeek inside. Boison made der dribe stoud. But von day der frau und myself found salvation und der rads found death. Der frau forgod to cover der yeast bod und afther ve had gone to bed ve heard der rads eadin' der yeast. Soon afder der vas a sharp rebord und I grabbed mient bistol und vent down. I vas sure it vas burglars. Presently der vas two more reports right by me und I vas frightened. After vile I saw a big rad in der lighd from der range. Der vas a repord und I didn't see nuddin' but his dail on der floor. Und den it vas all exblained. Der yeast vas rising until it exploded der rads. Mr. Boliceman, der rads exploded all night und der next day der vas not a whole rad on my side uf der fence."

Vegetation in the Tropics.

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The Negro in the South.

The Montgomery, Ala., *Advertiser*, published February 21st. four and a half columns of a lecture that had been delivered by Mr. W. H. Councill, a colored man and a teacher in the colored Normal School of Alabama. The lecture is supposed to be an advice to the colored people which is syccophantic in the extreme. In discussing the negroes of the north he said;

"The condition of our brethern in the north grows less favorable to them every year. It is no longer a question as to the opportunities for the development of the race in the South, but 'what shall become of the negro of the north'? is a question about which every thinking negro in this country is deeply concerned."

The gentleman of the south forgets that the northern negro is not indicted before the bar of public opinion as the negro of the south is. The northern negro is not charged with so many offenses as the southern negro. It is not the question north, what shall be done with the negro. The question among the northern negro is what will he do to force recognition in the councils of the parties. Whether he shall divide his vote or whether he will continue to adhere to the principles of the republican party. Again the apologist says.

"I have great faith in the southern people who know us and whom we know. I believe that the chirvalry and innate sense of justice found in men leaving their footprints in blood on the snow covered hills of Virginia, followed Lee's tattered banners down to Appomattox, will see that right and justice be given to my race in the south."

Has there ever been a more syccophantic utterance expressed? From the very moment the republican party assisted in given freedom to the negro South and elsewhere, every effort has been made to keep the negro enslaved. Again he says:

"Their posterity who knows well how the negro acted when days were dark and stormy, when it rained adversity upon their fathers and no ray of light was seen, will see that my race is treated fairly."

What gush. This is an attempt to sugar coat the rebel sentimen South. Listen again. What demagougary:

"Should they fail in this, the spirits of the departed Washington, Jefferson, Calhoun, Clay, Lee, Stonewall Jackson, will come forth and caurse the South."

If it were possible for them to return, the first utterance they would make would be what has become of all the negro slaves.

Again he says:

"Thousands of the Confederate soldiers sleeping beneath the sod, knowing what the negro was to their families and their homes, will come forth from their resting places and point to the overthrown of the South, should the South prove heartless, cruel and unjust to my people."

Doesn't this man know that the south was cruel to the negro prior to and since his emancipation? Neither pestilence, disease nor destruction by earth quakes has stayed the hands of southern brutality.

This kind of talk that Mr. Councill is giving the southern people, will no doubt please the enemies of the negro. The negro north has no favors to ask from the enemies of the negro south, and such apologetic talk may satisfy the sap heads of the south.

Suffrage in the District.

There is a growing disposition on the part of the knights of Labor to have the right of suffrage restored in the District of Columbia. If the people were united, or if his organization were united throughout the country, and make a demand from the next Congress to restore suffrage to the people, there is no doubt but that the people would have the right to vote once more in this city.

Aguinaldo Caught.

The Filipino Chief has been caught. He was betrayed by some of his soldiers. THE BEE is of the opinion that is better for Auguinaldo to have been captured. It is better for the people of his Native Country and also better for the United States. General Funston is to be congratulated.

The President's Trip.

It is the wish of the American people that the President on his trip to the Pacific Coast may meet with the ovation to which he is entitled and plaudits that the American people have bestowed upon him since his occupancy of the Executive chair. If there ever was a President entitled to the respect of the country, it is President McKinley. He has endeavored to be President of all the people and loyal to his country. THE BEE, Mr. President, wishes you God speed.

Auguinaldo will now be given a rest.

Mr. Oyster is in favor of District sufferage.

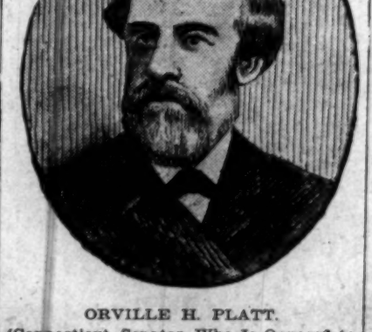
The Howard University graduates will surpass any of the graduates from other colleges.

General Anderson the United States attorney knows his business.

ORVILLE H. PLATT.

Connecticut Statesman Who Wants to Suppress Long-Distance Oratory in the Senate.

Senator Orville H. Platt, who proposes to shut off by rule the right of interminable speaking in the sen-



ORVILLE H. PLATT.
(Connecticut Senator Who Is Opposed to Long-Distance Oratory.)

ate, is a Connecticut man, and has represented his state in the United States senate since March, 1879. He has been reelected every succeeding six years since that time, and his present term will expire in 1903. Mr. Platt says he is tired of having to stay silent upon measures he wishes to talk about and to listen to unlimited discussion about measures to which he is opposed. This sort of sentiment is considered revolutionary by the senatorian code, but Mr. Platt doesn't care by what name they call his programme so long as he can hope to secure it. The Connecticut senator has been associated with parliamentary matters since 1855—when he became clerk of the senate of the legislature of his state. In 1869 he was speaker of the Connecticut house, all of which, together with his 22 years' experience in Washington, makes him a competent parliamentary critic.

WHIPPED SEVEN BOYS.

Plucky Buckeye Girl Received Praise from the Magistrate Instead of a Punishment.

On one day last week seven of the largest boys in the "White Grocery" school at Akron, O., were soundly thrashed by Miss Minnie Hoff, a pretty brown-haired girl who was acting as schoolma'am in the district. When she accepted the position as teacher she found the classes sadly disorganized and discipline was at a low ebb. First she tried to bring the boys to her way of thinking by treating them kindly. This did not have the effect she anticipated. The boys took the favors extended as an indication that they could do as they pleased. On Friday week they discovered the error of their ways. Miss Hoff opened the school with a direct notice to the bad boys in the front row that she would trounce the first that violated any of

MADE GOOD HER WARNING.

the rules and regulations governing the institution. It was only a few minutes before she was called upon to make good her warning. She performed the task in a way that left no doubt in the minds of those who witnessed the episode that she was equal to the occasion.

During the day six others were called forward and trimmed in the most approved fashion. The parents of Rufus Wright, one of the boys, had Miss Hoff arrested on a charge of assault and battery. She was in the police court the next morning to answer to the charge. Practically all of Springfield township was with her After hearing the story of the trouble the court, attorneys for the prosecution and spectators agreed that Miss Hoff was justified, and that she was the right woman in the right place. "The only thing she is to be censured for is that she did not lick more of them, and oftener," said the court, in dismissing the case.

Nestor of Postmasters.

The oldest postmaster in the United States is Roswell Bardsley, of North Lansing, N. Y. He has been postmaster since 1828, a period of 72 years. His age is 91.

THE SANDWICH KING.

That's What His Friends Call Elmer Pfeifer, Who Ate 24 Sandwiches in Just 48 Minutes.

Elmer Pfeifer, of Arcola, Ill., who a few days ago accomplished the almost impossible feat of devouring 24 ham sandwiches in exactly 48 minutes, thereby winning a wager, with side bets, amounting to $75 and establishing a record which is probably a world beater, is in all other respects an ordinary young man of medium physique, is possessed of a bright intellect and temperate habits. He has long borne the reputation of being possessed of a splendid appetite, but even his closest friends feared for his chances of winning at such odds in the above contest.

Mr. Pfeifer, in the presence of a number of his acquaintances, made

OPENING OF THE SHOW.

the remark more in fun than in earnest that he could eat two dozen ham sandwiches in an hour. A traveling salesman who happened to overhear the offer remarked that he would take $25 worth of a bet of that character. Pfeifer immediately accepted the wager and covered a number of side bets sufficient to swell the amount to $75. He then entered a cafe and ordered the required number of sandwiches, and with an air of confidence began to dispose of the big task before him. The first dozen were consumed as if they were mere cream puffs inflated with wind. After this Pfeifer ate with a little less relish, but one by one they disappeared until the last of the 24 had been consumed. In accomplishing the feat Pfeifer used three ordinary table jars of mustard and drank seven large glasses of water.

When the last sandwich had been eaten and young Pfeifer had arisen from his seat the timekeeper announced that he had occupied exactly 48 minutes and won.

Pfeifer claims that he felt no ill effects of his meal and was to all appearances as free from physical pain as were any of the people who watched his performance.

She Tested the Report.

The Oskaloosa (Kan.) Independent recently reported a former citizen, Dr. W. H. Ridgeway, as dead at Topeka, whereupon the dead man wrote and said: "I went home and told my wife I was dead, and produced the copy of your paper as proof. While she is a good woman, and all that, she thinks your paper lied. And she showed the courage of her convictions by making me carry in a lot of coal and water. So, Mr. Editor, I may say that I am not dead, but I am mad."

Peculiar Set of Furniture.

Perhaps the oddest suit of furniture in the world is owned by a certain hotel keeper. For many years he has made it his business to collect match boxes, of which he has now a collection of 4,000. He ordered a skilled cabinet maker to equip a room with furniture made of these boxes. The outfit consists of a writing table with smoking apparatus, a fire screen, a cabinet, a chair and other smaller articles.

LITTLE CLASSICS.

He thought as a sage, though he felt as a man.—Beattie.

Though authority be a stubborn bear, it is often led by the nose with gold.—Shakespeare.

Young men think old men fools; but old men know young men are fools.—George Chapman.

The diseases of the mind are more destructive and in greater number than those of the body.—Cicero.

Of the animals which fly in the air, walk on the ground, or swim in the sea, the most foolish is man.—Boileau.

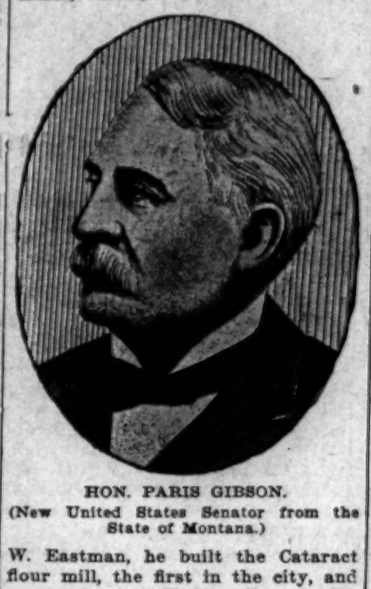
My living in Yorkshire was so far out of the way that it was actually 13 miles from a lemon.—Sydney Smith.

HON. PARIS GIBSON.

Founder of the Town of Great Falls Elected United States Senator from the State of Montana.

Paris Gibson (democrat), who was elected United States senator for the short term by the Montana legislature, is the founder of the town of Great Falls, Mont., and one of the leading capitalists of the state. He was born at Brownfield, Me., on July 1, 1830. His father was a farmer and lumberman. He graduated from Bowdoin college in 1851, and soon thereafter was elected to the Maine legislature.

In 1858 he removed to Minneapolis, Minn., where, in association with W.



HON. PARIS GIBSON.
(New United States Senator from the State of Montana.)

W. Eastman, he built the Cataract flour mill, the first in the city, and operated the North Star woolen mills. He met with reverses during the panic of 1873, and in 1879 removed to Fort Benton, Mont., where he engaged in sheep raising. He was among the first in that region to take up the industry, and has continued the business with profit. In 1882 he visited the falls of the Missouri river, and on examining the resources of the surrounding country, was impressed with the advantages of the place for a city, because of its unlimited water power, its deposits of coal, and extent of agricultural and grazing lands. With James J. Hill, of St. Paul, he acquired title to the town site and coal lands, and in 1884 founded a town and named it Great Falls. By the completion of the St. Paul, Minneapolis & Manitoba railroad to that point in 1887 a great stimulus was given to the town, which increased to a city of 18,000 inhabitants. To Mr. Gibson is due its splendid public park system, the first in the northwest. He was organizer of the Great Falls Water Power and Town Site company and has been active in the support of every enterprise in the city. He has much of his wealth invested in the gold, silver, iron and coal industries of the surrounding region.

He was a delegate to the Montana constitutional convention in 1889, and was senator from Cascade county to the first legislature, where he advocated the consolidation of all state institutions for liberal education under the name of the University of Montana.

JUDGE WILLIAM TAFT.

President McKinley May Very Soon Appoint Him Civil Governor of the Philippine Islands.

Judge William H. Taft, who is slated for the post of first civil governor of the Philippines, has given great satisfaction to the department of state in his capacity as president of the commission which is now at work in the islands. His reports of progress toward peace in Luzon have

JUDGE WILLIAM H. TAFT.
(Probable First Civil Governor of the Philippines.)

been especially gratifying. The prospective governor of the Philippines is the son of Alphonso Taft, who was United States minister to Russia and who had been attorney general in one of the cabinets of President Grant. He is a native of Cincinnati, 54 years old, and a graduate of Yale university and of the Cincinnati law school. His first public office was that of assistant prosecuting attorney of Cincinnati. In 1882 he was United States collector of internal revenue for the First Ohio district, and in 1887 was made judge of the superior court of Cincinnati. In 1890 he resigned that post to become solicitor general of the department of justice, and resigned that place in 1892 when he was appointed a judge of the federal bench.

Good Country for Bakers.

A Klondike baker who has been burned out three times and lost a whole cargo of coal has nevertheless cleared $30,000 in three years. The bun seems to walk off with itself in the gold diggings.

HOW HE GOT EVEN.

Chicago Youngster Makes a Dignified Old Gentleman the Victim of His Revenge.

The Chicago Daily News says that at a performance the other evening there was a stately mother who tried in vain to suppress the effervescent wonder and glee of her blue-eyed hopeful. Every time there was a new entry or an exciting climax the little fellow would climb up and ply his mother with a fusillade of breathless questions. And then there were times when his mirth knew no bounds.

"Oh, mamma!" he would exclaim, "just look at that funny old woman an' dog an' house."

The old man in the forward or-

"I'VE KICKED A HOLE IN YOUR HAT."

chestra chair had been frowning over his shoulder for some time. Finally, he turned around and savagely hissed:

"Tut! tut! child. Keep quiet; you are interrupting the performance."

In fear the little fellow shrank toward his mother. Not one sound escaped his lips for five minutes. Then he suddenly leaned forward and whispered in the old man's ear:

"Please, sir, I have just kicked a hole in your hat."

"What!" sputtered the old man, reaching for his silk headgear. "Y-you young rascal, I'll punish you for this."

It was a critical juncture in the drama and the house was intensely still. The old man's irate voice rang from parquet to gallery. An usher tiptoed down the aisle.

"You will have to get out if you interrupt the performance," warned the man in uniform.

The old man made no retort. He had just discovered that he was a victim of the little fellow's revenge. There was not a mark on the silk tile.

"Didn't I get even, mamma?" chuckled the boy as they started home.

"How unrefined, darling," corrected the stately mother, "you should say that you were vindicated."

DOG SAVED A TRAIN.

Seized the Red Flag and Waved It Until the Engineer Brought the Special to a Stop.

Station Master Davis' dog Nig has been the talk of Forks Creek, Col., for years, but the other day when Nig flagged a train on the Colorado & Southern railway he saved the lives of the train's crew and passengers and became a topic for the whole state.

Nig is of mixed breed, largely spaniel. Forks Creek has only two houses and a water tank, so Nig, always at his master's heels, learned how to throw a switch and to wave a flag almost as well as his master. So expert was he at switch throwing that his master grew to depend on him for the work.

But a few days ago when Nig bounded up the track to throw a switch for

CARRYING HIS SIGNAL FLAG.

a train that had signaled he found that snow had made it impossible to move. He did his best, then turned and dashed back to the station, seizing the red flag and flying up the track toward the train rounding the curve.

By that time the station master saw trouble and ran for the switch, but he could not move it, owing to the ice. But far up the track Nig sat upright, holding the flag in his mouth, and with a sense of relief Davis saw the train slow up. The ice was cut away, the switch turned and the train pulled in with Nig riding modestly in the cab. Superintendent T. H. Sears was in the one special car, making a tour of the line, and one of these days Nig may be pensioned.

American Bars in Mexico.

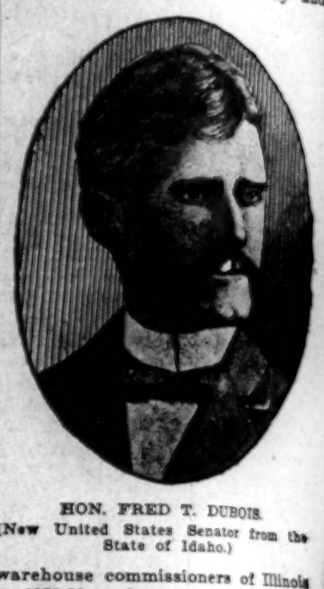
American barrooms are multiplying in the City of Mexico. Their so-called "American drinks" are almost as deadly as knockout drops, and the imbibers of them are very likely to be given the chance to sober up in the police station. Three Mexican cocktails are usually powerful enough to paralyze a mule.

AGAIN A SENATOR.

Fred T. Dubois, Who Left Congress Four Years Ago as a Republican Now Returns, Democrat.

After an absence of four years Fred T. Dubois returns to the senate. He was a silver republican when he left congress, but is now a democrat, and was elected by the combined democratic, silver republican and populist vote of the legislature of Idaho.

Mr. Dubois is a native of Crawford county, Ill., and is in the fiftieth year of his age. He received a public school and collegiate education, graduating from Yale college in the class of 1872. He was secretary of the board of railway and



HON. FRED T. DUBOIS.
(New United States Senator from the State of Idaho.)

warehouse commissioners of Illinois in 1875-76, and went to Idaho territory and engaged in business in 1880. For four years he was United States marshal of Idaho, and was elected as a republican delegate to the Fiftieth and Fifty-first congresses, being the last delegate from the territory. At the republican national convention held at Minneapolis in 1892 he was chairman of the Idaho delegation, which was the first delegation from the new state. He served in the senate from 1891 to 1897, being defeated by Henry Heitfeld, the populist candidate, whose term in the senate will expire March 3, 1903.

FLAG WITH A HISTORY.

Condensed Account of the First Emblem of the Confederate States of North America.

The first flag raised as an emblem of the confederacy has had an interesting history. It was first used in South Carolina, the mother state in the afterwards named Confederate States of America. It is in the possession of the family of the late Capt. Henry W. Hand, of New Jersey.

The flag is eight feet long by six feet broad. The body is turkey red and the immense star and crescent in the upper left-hand corner are of white. It was made by the ladies of Charleston, S. C., on the eve of their state's secession, December 20, 1860. The next day it was hoisted over the city customhouse.

Its career began on land, but it closed on water. Shortly afterwards the Dixie, a small privateer and blockade runner, started on its depredations, and, as the young confederacy had adopted no official banner

FIRST CONFEDERATE FLAG.
(Made by the Ladies of Charleston, S. C., December, 1860.)

at that time, this flag was presented to it. In the spring of 1863 the Dixie was captured by the United States steamer Keystone State, and Capt. Hand, who was then an under officer, boarded the vessel and hauled down its flag. His commander gave him permission to retain the emblem. It has been a treasure in his family ever since.

Western Diplomacy Won.

Not long ago there was a question about "precedence" at the white house in relation to going in to dinner between the president and the speaker of the house, which was settled. This recalls the story of a western congressman, whose wife was very rich but thought very little on such subjects. She was in Washington for a good time, and resolved to have it without bother. This fearless woman gave a dinner party on one occasion, and when it was time to get her guests from the drawing-room to the dining-room she arose and said: "There is some precedence about all this, but I don't know what it is, and haven't time to learn. Just walk out to dinner, every one of you, and sit down anywhere you please." They say that this stroke of western diplomacy worked perfectly, and the dinner was enjoyed to the utmost.

Where Snow Is Worth Money.

Snow sells in the north of Sicily for about one cent a pound. It is a government monopoly, and the prince of Palermo derives the greater part of his income from it. The snow is gathered on the mountains in felt-covered baskets, and is sold in the cities for refrigerating purposes.

P. J. Oliver, a leading colored attorney of Roanoke, Va., has returned to his home after several pleasant days spent in this city.

Jack Robinson of Montgomery Co. Md., returned to his work in the Bureau Engraving and Printing, with a basket full of fine apples and a big bunch of flowers and all smiles. It was a bouncing baby boy. Mother and babe are doing well.

A pleasant birthday party was tendered Miss Dawson at their residence 519 21 street, northwest, last Saturday evening. A large nnmber of friends paid their respects and after congratulations had been tendered a sumptuous repast was served to their friends.

Invitations are out for the marriage of Miss Elizabeth Geneveive Wilkinson, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John F. N. Wilkinson, to Dr. George E. Cannon, Wednesday evening April 10th at six o'clock, at the residence of her parents 901 E street southwest. Reception from 6:30 to 8:30 p. m. They will leave for their home 441 Pacific Avenue, Jersey City, N. J., where they will hold a reception Thursday evening April 11.

The April Committee of the Woman's League will hold a Rummage Sale at its building the last week in April beginning on the 22nd. and continuing until the 30th. Donations of cost of women and children clothing half worn hats, collars, cuffs, ties, shoes, crockery, furniture, old vases, pictures, curtains, poles, frames, stoves, kitchen ware, etc groceries, canned goods, plants and goods of every description. Friends who donate articles, may send them to Miss Jennie Jones, 1929 10th street, northwest or send postal card to any of the following addresses and they will be sent for: Dr. S. M. Fraiser, 2002 17th street, Mrs. W. H. Conner 1634 R street or chairman of the committee 1713 T street, northwest. We are asking for articles which are not of immediate use to their owner but nevertheless may be useful to others. Miss I. D. Bailey; chairman Miss M. F. Quander, secretary; Mrs. Jennie Conner, Dr. S. M. Fraiser, Mrs. O. L. White, Miss A. T. Howard, Miss Ella D. Barrier Miss L. Love, Miss Florence M. Williams.

Earl's Etchings.

Mr. Charles Cassuis Russell is serving on the Grand Jury.

Mrs. Clara Leary Reeves is a copyist in the office of the District Recorder.

Miss Lillie Nichols of Cleveland Avenue, northwest, has gone to Wheeling, West Virginia.

Mr. Russell goes to the Police Court Jury in April and will serve there until some time in July.

Dr. Phil Brome Brooks, the progressive young surgeon of the southwest, left for Atlantic City Friday.

Miss West Dyson, of Harrislot, Md., is visiting her cousin, Miss Mary Marshall, 313 3rd street, southwest.

Mr. Archibald Grimke, a noted lawyer and brother of the well-known divine Francis J. Grimke, is in town.

Superintendent Murray of the District Repair Department says that the Randall School will have to be closed during the period of renovation.

Mr. Samuel Dulccey, of 1528 New Jersey Avenue, northwest, has entirely recovered from his illness. For nearly three months, he has been unable to leave his residence.

The Governor elect of West Virginia has appointed Prof. W. S. Sharks, colored, as State Librarian. Mr. Sparks is popularly known through out the State and is said to possess wonderful executive ability.

The greatest living diplomat today is Wu Ting Fang, the United States Minister from China. Here is an instance where the mixed races lead the world.

The death of Mr Jacob Richardson deprives the city of one of its truest citizens. Forced to retire from the arena of usefulness some years ago, his scholarship bore excellently that unstilled activity born to live in all great men. Failing health hastened the ultimate end.

An art exhibition, conducted by the Woman's League of this city proved a very creditable showing It was held at Odd Fellows Hall, M street between 16 and 17 streets, northwest, this week, and the patrons were treated to some of the best specimens of hand and needle art. To defray the necessary expenses a simple admission of ten cents was charged.

The National Capital Searchlight comes to its readers again with unborrowed admiration. The issue is clean and lusty to a fault, what ever may be the defects, they are amply hidden by the practical and up-to-date matter (contributions from the pens of some of our best quill commentators) that graces its pages from beginning to end. The table of contents when reviewed has a softening influence up on the mind and brings you in closer contact with the noble mission for which the journal is intended. Free from gossip and above social clash, the National Capital Searchlight launches out into a field, where freedom of thought is no longer at a premium, but in the reach of all.

Kate Cathcart in the Indianapolis News says that the new dress new models show wide flounces of lace. They come shaped or straight, and are the most expensive of spring costume. Many of them are finished at the top with broad, deep, scallops, set to the skirt with pipings of panne velvet. There are endless ways in which these flounces are trimmed. Sometimes the lace is threaded with gold or velvet ribbon. Often it is covered with appliqued roses of shaded panne, so perfect as to seem painted. The skirt on which such a flounce is arranged is usually tucked from waist to hem with crepe or tule. A bright sky blue is one of the best selling colors for spring. In the liberty fabrics it is especially charming.

All Washington is jubilant over the late success of Mr. Oliver Davis, a Sergeant Major in the Ninth Calvery. In a recent competitive examination, held for the purpose of filling a commission, Sergeant Davis made an average of 91 per cent. He is the first of his race to past and is the only colored officer of rank in the regular army excepting a Lieutentant Young a West Point graduate, who is detailed for special duty at Wilberforce University, Ohio. Independent of this it was found that Lieutentant Davis is strongly fortified in points of international law. Young Davis nativity represents some of Washington's best stock. He was educated in the public schools here and at one time figured prominently in the High School Cadet Corps. When a boy Davis displayed much fondness for frontier life and often expressed a desire to become a leader of men in this respect. His infatuation for duty, his love for obedienee, will make him that brilliant military strategist of which the race is bound to be proud. Lieutentant Davis has our heartiest congratulation.

In the vast auditorium of the Metropolitan A. M. E. church, a complimentary reception was given last Friday evening by the National Memorial Association and the citizens of the District, in honor of ex-representative George H. White, of North Carolina. The audience was distinctly cultured and expressed uninterrupted appreciation for the valiant services he performed in behalf of his down trodden race during the last session of Congress. Dr. A. P. Miller presided and delivered an address. Musical selections were rendered by the choir of the church under direction of Prof. J. T. Layton. The Aeolian Mondolin and Guitar Club were on hand and proved a most valuable acquisition to the program. Others who spoke were: Dr. J. Albert Johnson, Rev. Walter H. Brooks, Prof. Kelley Miller, Prof. Jesse Lawson, Hon. John P. Green, Mrs. Mary Church-Terrell, Dr. W. S. Montgomery and Rev. W J. Howard. In the course of the evening, Mr. White was presented with a silver berry cup by John W. Pope of Rich Square, N. C., in behalf of his friends of North Carolina, constituting the second Congressional district. Miss Ella M. Boston, President of the National Momorial Home Association in behalf of the women of the Association and the citizens of the District, presented the guest of the occasion with a handsomely carved silver tea service. Mr. White's response was duly a befitting one. He thanked his friends kindly for the costly gifts he had received and said that the evening would be an event in his life that he never would forget.

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AGRICULTURE A CENTURY AGO

A century ago farmers reaped their grain with sickles, two acres being a good day's work.

In 1800 domestic animals were few; to-day there are 14,000,000 horses, 2,200,000 mules, 44,000,000 cattle, 40,000,000 sheep and 39,000,000 swine.

In 1820 our cotton crop was 870,415 bales; in 1899 it had grown to 11,235,383 bales, or 90 per cent. of the total crop grown in the world.

The plow of 1800 was a "crotch drag;" the plow of the western bonanza farms is run by steam and turns eight furrows at once.

The early American settlers ate their bread with lard or gravy; butter was rare; last year America produced one-third of all the butter in the world.

A hundred years ago there were no farms west of the Mississippi; today the western wheat crop is 600,000,000 bushels, or one-quarter that of the world.

SUPREME COURT JUSTICES.

Justice Peckham is the only member of the supreme court who is not a college graduate.

Both White and McKenna are Roman Catholics. Harlan is an elder in the New York Avenue Presbyterian church, Brown and Shiras are Presbyterians, Brewer is a Congregationalist, Fuller, Peckham and Gray are Episcopalians.

Three of the justices are graduates of Yale—Brewer and Brown were classmates, being graduated in '56, while Shiras was a member of the class of '53. Chief Justice Fuller is an alumnus of Bowdoin, '53; Harlan, of Center college, Ky., '50; Gray, of Harvard, '45; White, of Georgetown university, and McKenna, of St. Joseph's college, Philadelphia.

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There is a young man living in one of the northern suburbs of Chicago who has a girl in Ohio. He made preparations the other day to go to the Ohio town to call on her. Part of his preparations was to buy a box of candy, a large box of the very best. But when he started he forgot

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the box of candy and his roommate at once sent it to his own girl.

The next day the roommate received a note from his sweetheart thanking him for the candy, and in the same mail came another from the young man in Ohio asking him to forward the box of candy which had been left behind.

There was nothing left for the roommate to do but to buy another box, says the Chicago Chronicle, and after hunting for two hours along State street he finally found the place where the candy had been purchased. He remembered how the box looked and he ordered one just like it. The young woman behind the counter wrapped it up and then shoved toward the bewildered roommate a slip of paper calling for $2.50. This he paid, but he swore under his breath at the Ohio girl.

The Kiss in Mathematics.

A kiss is defined by a mathematician as "nothing divided by two." The dividend varies according to circumstances.

CURRENT HUMORS.

A wise man adorns his mind; a fool adorns his body.—Chicago Daily News.

The man who is a law unto himself is apt to be in urgent need of amendments.—Puck.

Every bald-headed man thinks his bald head is the ugliest in town.—Atchison Globe.

Lots of folks would avoid many mistakes in grammar if they talked just a little less.—Washington Democrat.

The wheel of fortune turns very rapidly in our country. It often happens with us, for instance, that a man becomes rich enough to own a carriage before he has fairly had time to learn how to get into the same without knocking his plug hat.—Detroit Journal.

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The Citizens will remember those who betrayed them.

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Don't express your ignorance on subjects of which you have no knowledge.

Be manly in all you say and do.

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Howard University may have a colored man at its head some day.

There are to be several judges appointed.

It is hoped that the President will not appoint Justice Mills.

THE BEE is opposed to the appointment of Justice Mills.

Justice O'Donnell will be one of the new Justices.

So will Justice Taylor.

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This is what some people think.

Don't talk too much.

The greatest man does the greatest deeds.

Don't imagine that you know it all.

Think what you say and when you say it.

Boys are different from what they used to be.

Don't be too hasty.

How did you like the parade?

If you are in doubt say so.

Boys will be boys and don't you for get it.

Never imagine that you are better than your neighbor.

Your mother is your best friend.

You should not be unlike yourself.

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HEAD OF CHEYENNES.

Mary Big Buffalo Assumes Leadership of Indian Tribe.

Although Only 30 Years of Age, She Is Very Shrewd and Maintains Her Power by Seemingly Occult Methods.

Much pomp and several incidents attended the ceremony of installing Mary Big Buffalo chief of the Cheyenne Indians, who live on a reservation in Oklahoma territory.

Not only is Mary the first woman ever appointed to rule an Indian tribe, but she is also gifted with power direct from the Great Spirit, her tribesmen believe. Besides being chosen to attend to all business of the tribe, she will also act as chief medicine man, or woman one should say, for the handful of Cheyennes who have survived the effects of wars and civilization.

Mary Big Buffalo, now chief of the Cheyennes, is a woman of much tact and common sense. It was she who started the plan to have all of her people go to Mexico to live, and then when she found that she was opposed in her plans by the United States Indian agents, who were sure to balk her scheme, she called the Cheyennes together and told them she had received a call from the Great Spirit, and that he told her to remain in the United States. So, instead of showing her weakness to the tribe, she only strengthened her reputation.

Her installation, says the Chicago American, took place on the reservation near Darlington. The valley is covered with green grass, even in the depth of winter, and the warm sun beats down, making it a most pleasant spot to live in.

Here for nearly a week the whole Cheyenne tribe lay in their tents and enjoyed life.

Quite suddenly one night Big Snake, chief of the medicine men,

CHIEF OF THE CHEYENNES.
(Mary Big Buffalo and Her Little Five-Year-Old Daughter.)

came forth from his tent. He had been fasting for three days and was very weak. He called in a loud voice that all was in readiness to declare the new chieftain elected.

The camp was soon astir. Squaws and bucks commenced to paint and sing songs. Everything was in a state of excitement. As the night grew older the other medicine men made their way to the tent of the chief-to-be and sang weird songs.

At daylight the whole tribe of 300 Indians had painted and was ready to greet the new queen.

Big Snake lifted the flap of her tepee at sunrise and cried:

"Woman, come forth!"

Then Mary Big Buffalo stepped forth. She wore only a breechcloth. Her brown skin was nearly white from fasting. Her limbs were pale from exhaustion. She smiled at the reds as she marched forth between the big medicine men and took her seat on the grass while they gathered around her.

The medicine men also were clad in naught except a white sheet which girded them. Big Snake wore a straw hat and a linen duster which some white man had given him. He looked more like a Quaker than an Indian, for his skin is nearly white.

At a given signal they all commenced blowing on their medicine whistles and the other Indians, who were interested spectators, sang weird songs. This lasted fully two hours, while the women sat on the grass and performed such feats as catching snakes apparently out of the air and eating them, and calling aloud and receiving answers, which the Indians said were entirely audible to them, but which the white people who witnessed the ceremony said they could not hear at all.

Finally the dancing broke up and the whole tribe sat down on the grass and partook of a repast of dog meat, furnished by their new chief. After this he went through the ceremony of blessing all the people of the tribe by rubbing them on the head, and the inauguration was over.

The new chief will have power to make treaties, power to banish any member from the tribe if he does something which does not suit her, and power, with the consent of a majority of the medicine council, to allot and sell the lands.

She is 30 years old and her husband was a noted warrior. She has one child, which at the tender age of five is said to be possessed of much power to commune with unseen powers. Spiritualism plays a leading role among the Cheyennes and the greater the power to see things the higher is one's standing in the tribe.

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M. Fortier came to Montreal from Paris some years ago, and by some chance drifted down across the Maine border into the Canadian-French settlements.

His only apparent resources consisted of an old but closely cherished violin, quite a thorough knowledge of dancing—and Pitti. Pitti was a large green parrot which M. Fortier bought upon the ship which brought him over. She had a command of forcible American idiom far superior to her master, and in some respects was truly a wonderful bird.

The Madawaska French are a merry set and delight in dancing. The advent of M. Fortier and his violin was most happy, and he was in great demand for the numerous and various festivities, although it was under great mental stress and continual inward invective that he lent his talent and tuneful strains to the uncouth gambols of the brawny youths and rosy-cheeked Canuck maidens.

"Oh, it's ze bear dance, ze bear dance, Pitti," he was wont to confide to his only confidante after the merry-makings were over. "Oh, for ze valtz—be be-yeautiful valtz," and he sighed and sighed.

One day pretty, bright Mary La Coote came home from a long stay in a factory town far, far down the river. She was easily the belle of Madawaska, and soon she turned up her pretty nose at the old-fashioned contra dances. She had learned to waltz. The rest must learn it. And half a dozen of the beaus made

A MODEL FOR THE CLASS.

mental vows that they would waltz whether or no.

M. Fortier was appealed to and soon he had a large and eager class in the graceful art. But it was slow and tedious work for the dancing master with his Parisian methods among the wild and untamed youth of Madawaska. Try as he would until nearly beside himself with exertion and exasperation, the peculiarities of the waltz step seemed entirely beyond their comprehension.

One night, when his patience had been tried beyond all endurance, the dancing master threw down his violin and exclaimed:

"Ma foi, wait you; Pitti shall teach you ze valtz."

He rushed out of the room and soon returned with Pitti. While the class gazed in open-eyed astonishment he placed the bird in the middle of the floor and took up his violin.

"Now, pretty Pitti, show ze ladies and ze gentlemen ze valtz."

The bird cocked her head on one side, scratched her beak with one foot and then the other.

M. Fortier struck up a favorite waltz, and Pitti, after a very elaborate bow, glided off in pirouettes, slides and hops, with the reverse, now dipping gracefully and again with a slight flutter of her wings as daintily as a belle in silken skirts, all in perfect time, and, ending the last measure with a profound bow to the audience, hopped upon her master's shoulder.

As to the class, amazement was pictured on every browned countenance. For a moment it was a question whether to believe the bird bewitched and to stampede or to remain and wonder. Nearly all crossed themselves as a matter of precaution.

"Pretty Pitti see she dance ze valtz. She turn so and do ez slide—so and ze hop—so. Now you do like Pitti."

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THE ROOSTER CART.

little harness and is guided by reins which it carries in its bill. It is the master of several gaits, and at the word of command given by the small child who is driving it will walk, run, trot, or come to a standstill. At home in the country the big rooster often pulls the cart and its occupant for half a mile or more without stopping. The queer outfit is now giving exhibitions at poultry shows in the west.

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Famous Russian Novelist and Social Philosopher Persona Non Grata with the Members of the Holy Synod.

The official organ of the holy synod of St. Petersburg has just published the formal excommunication of Count Tolstoi, the Russian novelist and social reformer, which was announced early in the year, as follows:

"In its solicitude for the children of the orthodox church to guard them from being led into corruption, and in order to save those who have gone astray, the holy synod has deliberated upon the anti-Christian and anti-ecclesiastical teachings of Count Leo Tolstoi, and has deemed it expedient, in order to preserve the peace of the church, to issue a circular dealing with the heresies of Count Leo Tolstoi. The circular is as follows:

"'Count Leo Tolstoi, to the grief and horror of the whole orthodox world, has, by speech and writing, unceasingly striven to separate himself from all communion with the orthodox church, and this not only clandestinely, but openly and in the knowledge of all persons. All attempts to dissuade him from this conduct have proved without avail. Consequently the orthodox church no longer considers him to be one of its members, and cannot regard him as such as long as he does not repent and does not become reconciled to the church. We, therefore, place on record his apostasy from the church, and pray the Lord to restore him to a comprehension of the truth. We pray thee, therefore, O merciful God, who does not desire the death of a sinner, to hear us, have mercy on him, and restore him to thy holy church. Amen.'"

Commenting on this document, the Detroit Free Press says that the Greek church has dealt with Count

COUNT LEO TOLSTOI.
(Russian Novelist Excommunicated by the Greek Church.)

Tolstoi virtually as the Catholic church dealt with St. George Mivart a few weeks before the death of that eminent English scientist, and we shall probably hear the same clamor about the suppression of liberty of thought and conscience in the Tolstoi case as we heard in the Mivart case. Those persons who find in the excommunication of Count Tolstoi a reproach to the Greek church overlook the important fact that a church, in order to be a church, must have articles of faith, and that these articles of faith must be adhered to. If the bars are to be let down to a Leo Tolstoi, because he is one of the most brilliant novelists of the century, or to a St. George Mivart, because he has achieved a high reputation as a scientist, they must be let down to everybody. There is no liberty of conscience where only this man or that man is permitted to reject such articles of faith as he may see fit, and if this liberty is accorded to all men, it is evident that there can be no church. Something must be accepted, both in government and religion, and there can be no tyranny over either thought or conscience when the man who cannot subscribe to the creed of the church of which he is a member has the liberty of withdrawing.

Tolstoi was as far from orthodoxy as Voltaire. The author of "Anna Karenina," "War and Peace," "The Kreutzer Sonata," "Resurrection," "My Confession," "My Religion," etc., had created a religion for himself as he had created a political economy for himself. However exalted it may have been, it certainly was not the religion of the Greek church. It was not the religion of any church. It was Tolstoiism pure and simple. The Greek church was compelled either to excommunicate Count Tolstoi or to set the seal of its approval upon his religious teachings, which, of course, was impossible. And as Count Tolstoi seems to have preferred his own faith to the faith of the church, he has nothing to complain of by reason of his excommunication. No man can expect to retain the benefits of a church, while denying the teachings of that church.

Robbed by a Clever Ruse.

A sudden illness compelled Robert Winfield, a colored man, to seek treatment at the Bellevue hospital, New York city. While he was there two stylish colored ladies called for his clothing, stating that they had been requested by the patient, who was then confined to his bed, to renovate and press his garments. In a week Robert was well enough to be discharged; but he couldn't leave the hospital, as his entire wardrobe consisted of a four-inch smile and an 11-inch pair of shoes.

TEDDY SHOOTS A LION.

Vice President-Elect Roosevelt Brings Down a Big Catamount and Saves a Companion.

In a taxidermist's shop in Meeker, Col., the body of a mountain lion is being mounted. It is not unlike several other beasts which have been brought there from the neighboring county, but never before has one been brought in which attracted so much attention, for this animal was killed by Vice President-elect Theodore Roosevelt. There is a story connected with the killing of the lion, for in sending a bullet through its neck at just the right time Mr. Roosevelt not

LION FELL ON DR. WEBB.

only brought to earth his first lion, but saved the life of one of his companions in the chase, Dr. Gerald B. Webb, of Colorado Springs. As it was, the animal fell upon the physician, knocked him to the ground and made several ugly wounds with its sharp claws.

Accompanied by John Goff, a guide, Gov. Roosevelt, Dr. Webb, "Dick" Stone and A. G. Wallihan started from Meeker for the Keystone ranch 36 miles northeast of there. Four miles from the city the hounds struck a scent and led the hunters on a hot chase of eight miles. When the dogs were overtaken the lion had sought refuge in a tree. Dismounting, the hunters stood near by and discussed who was to do the shooting. All wanted Mr. Roosevelt to do it, but he unselfishly declined. Finally lots were drawn and the vice president-elect pulled the longest straw. Meantime the lion had done some thinking, for just as Col. Roosevelt raised his rifle, the beast sprang straight for the men. A bullet from the colonel's rifle met it in midair, penetrating the brute's neck and breaking its backbone. It fell with tremendous force on Dr. Webb. "Dick" Stone brought the body of the beast back, and says the colonel is delighted with the trophy of the hunt. It will be mounted and sent to Oyster Bay.

THE FIREMAN'S MISTAKE.

In a Moment of Aberration He Thought the Manager of the Theater Was a Gentleman.

Frank Wyatt, the London artist, actor, singer and manager, has combined several professions for so many years that it is hard to say in which one he is most popular. He and Mrs. Wyatt (Miss Violet Melnotte) built and still own the Duke of York's theater. Mr. Wyatt succeeded George Grossmith in the Gilbert and Sullivan operas and his duke of Plazatora (in "The Gondoliers") was one of the most humorous performances ever seen at the Savoy.

THE FIREMAN CAUGHT HIM.

He has been 16 times to America, making a brilliant tour on one occasion with a company of Italian pantomimists.

The following blunder of a Drury Lane fireman occurred when Mr. Wyatt was playing in "La Fille de Mme. Angot." One night he left the Lane earlier than usual to go to an at home, having dressed in his room at the theater. He had just gone through the stage door, when he recollected a message that he had been commissioned to give to one of the ladies. So he turned and hurried back into the theater. "Stop! You can't go in there, sir!" exclaimed the fireman on duty. But Mr. Wyatt took no notice and ran across the stage, as the curtain was down, pursued by the fireman, who caught him up as he reached the opposite side, with the indignant protest: "You mustn't come here, sir. This is behind the scenes!" "I know it is!" said Mr. Wyatt, "but I'm a member of the company. Don't you recognize me? I am Frank Wyatt!" "Oh. I beg your pardon, sir!" exclaimed the fireman, "but I thought you were a gentleman!"

Good Thing for Druggists.

Corning, N. Y., is in a ferment. Evidence against saloon-keepers is produced by taking snapshots of patrons as they are entering or coming out of the saloons.

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The testimorial to Ex-Congressman White at the Metropolitan Church March 22, was a success.

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Mr. James A. Ross is doing well in Buffalo, N. Y.

Misses Ella Jenning, Ida Washington and others will visit the Pan American Exposition at Buffalo, N. Y.

A new paper by Mr. W. Calvin Chase, before the Congressional Lyceum in April, entitled "The Pirates of Colored Society." It will be an up to date paper.

Recorder H. P. Cheatham is writing a book entitled politics and politicians and where the negro stands.

Dr. F. J. Shadd has returned to the city from Hampton, Va., where he has been on a visit for several weeks.

Prof. H. M. Brown was in this city a few days ago. Prof. Brown is doing well.

A few changes in the Colored High School will be made next season.

The Inaugural Welcome Club closed up its business on last Wednesday night with a surplus, which will be divided among the members. The Club will be made permanent.

All the Machinest in the Bureau of Engraving have had their salary raised from $1000 to $1100 per annum. There are others who are just as deserving as the machinests, with long hours and small pay. They ought to have their salary raised. It is hoped that the Director will find time to recommend the boys in the trenches for more pay.

There is a movement on foot among the teachers of the Public Schools, of the District to raise a purse for Miss Simmons, one of the cities oldest teachers. She has now retired on account of infirmeties. Some of the Principles think that $4 donated by each teacher would be the proper thing, they are not hower obliged to contribute anything. Miss Martha Shelton a colored teacher is blind. No haste has been made to suggest $50 for her.

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"What Lack We Yet" was the subject discussed by Prof. J. D. Baltimore before the Congressional Lyceum Sunday afternoon last. Prof. Baltimore is well known as a practical man, and never fails to treat his subject in a logical and forceful manner. Said he, one of the most important things the race needed was unity, and the acquistion of material wealth. He observed that appearances counted for naught in the financial, commercial and business world. He concluded by saying that the teachers and preachers more than to any other class must we look for the material advancement of the race. The paper was discussed and heartily endorsed by Prof. N. E. Weatherless, Justice E. M. Hewlett and Messrs. Geo. Ware, Wm. H. Smith, Nanthaniel Guy, Gordon, Cobb, Newman, Scurlock, F. G. Manly, of the Daily Record, Prof. Gregory and Dr. A. P. Miller, pastor, Lawyer W. C. Martin, President of the Lyceum also made some remarks, having called Manly to the chair. The musical exercises were under the direction of Dr. Miller, Miss Blanche Coleman pianist.

Tomorrow at 3:30 o'clock afternoon Mrs. Julia Mason Layton will discuss "Mission Work" before the Lyceum.

Notice!!!

Mr. W. J. Abrams M. V. P of Georgetown. D. C., will address the Odd Fellows Lyceum Sunday afternoon March 31, at 3 o'clock p. m. Special music will be furnished by the Mt. Zion choir. All are cordially invited.

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Before matriculation at Cornell he learned the printer's trade in the composing room of the Troy Daily Times, which was founded by his father in 1851. After leaving college he proceeded to quality himself further for a journalistic career by becoming a reporter on the Troy Times. Advancing step by step, he acquired a proprietary interest in 1881 and became manager of that paper. On the death of his father, in 1897, he succeeded to the editorship and sole ownership of the paper. Though Mr. Francis has been actively identified with the republican party, he has never held office. He served 11 years on the staff of Maj. Gen. Joseph B. Carr, Third division, New York national guard, and was an officer on the staff of Gov. Alonzo B. Cornell. He is an alumnus trustee of Cornell university, having been elected for two successive terms. He is a director of the United national bank of Troy and of the Albany trust company, vice president of the New York Society for the Preservation of Scenic and Historic Places and Objects, a member of the Zeta Psi college fraternity, the Society of Sons of the American Revolution and of several Troy and New York clubs.

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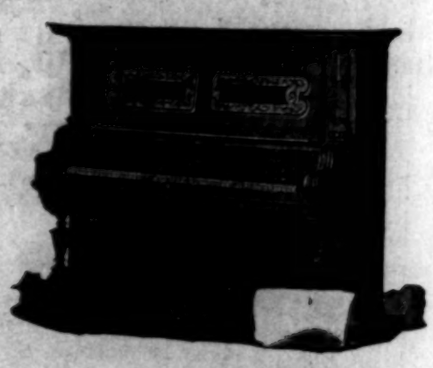

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